

## ALBANIA DECLARES HER INDEPENDENCE

Austria and Russia Are  
Strengthening Their Armies  
Along the Border.

## TWO TURKISH BATTALIONS REPULSED AT TCHATALJA

Bulgarian Force Said to Have Lost  
Heavily Through Cholera.

## STRICT CENSORSHIP AT VIENNA

Newspapers Forbidden to Publish Re-  
ports of Military Measures.  
More Envoys to Discuss  
Armistice Named.

VIENNA, November 23.—The  
independence of Albania has been  
proclaimed at Durazzo by Ismail  
Kemal Bey, the leader of the Al-  
banians, according to a report  
published in the Allgemeine Zeit-  
ung today.

SOFIA, November 23.—After  
the Turkish sortie at Adrianople  
yesterday the Bulgarians began a  
bombardment of that fortress that  
lasted through the night. It is  
announced that two Turkish bat-  
talions which attacked the Bul-  
garians at Tchatalla this morn-  
ing were repulsed with heavy loss.

## Demands Are Waived.

LONDON, November 23.—The Balkan  
allies are understood to have waived their  
demand for the evacuation of the Turks  
of the lines of Tchatalla and are willing  
that the guarantee of Adrianople should  
be made a condition of the armistice.  
According to the Pall Mall Gazette, they  
insist, however, on the surrender of the  
fortress of Adrianople itself. The ports  
on the other hand, demands that Adria-  
nople remain invested pending the armis-  
tice, as the French authorities have  
done during the Franco-German armistice  
in 1871.

## Censorship of Press.

VIENNA, November 23.—The news-  
papers here have been strictly forbidden  
by the authorities to publish any reports  
of military measures in the Austro-Hun-  
garian empire. The dispatches of the  
press are being strictly censored.

## Will Adhere to Convention.

ROME, November 23.—Serbia's diffi-  
culty in extending her territory as far  
as the Albanian coast of the Adriatic sea  
has been augmented by Austria giving  
Italy to understand that she is deter-  
mined to adhere strictly to the conven-  
tion concluded with the Marquis Visconti  
Venosta, when he was Italian foreign  
minister in 1880, by which both Vienna  
and Rome pledged themselves not to oc-  
cupy any Albanian territory. They also  
agreed at that time not to support any  
territorial changes in that region except  
in the event of Albania becoming au-  
tonomous.

Italy considers herself, therefore, offi-  
cially pledged to stand by Austria, not-  
withstanding her sympathy for the Bal-  
kan states.

## Named as Plenipotentiaries.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 23.—  
Rehad Pasha, minister of commerce, and  
Hadi Pasha, chief of staff, have been ap-  
pointed plenipotentiaries to the confer-  
ence at the Adriatic. The appointment  
of the ambassador to Germany, Osman  
Nizami Pasha, as a plenipotentiary,  
which was doubted, has been confirmed.  
The government asserts that the Turk-  
ish plenipotentiaries are empowered to  
sign any agreement in the name of the  
sultan. The Bulgarian plenipotentiaries  
are expected to arrive at Tchatalla to-  
morrow.

There was no fighting along the Tcha-  
talla lines today. The Bulgarians have  
been working on the railway and the  
rear. Their losses by cholera are report-  
ed to be severe.

## Interest Has Shifted.

LONDON, November 23.—Interest in the  
war situation shifted today from the Bel-  
ligerents, whose delegates are preparing  
to meet with an apparent sincere de-  
sire to work out a peace, to the great  
rivalries and interests to the common  
welfare of Europe in the cause of  
peace.

No threatening factor in the situation  
is known which has not existed since  
the beginning of the war, unless it is  
the near approach of the Serbian army  
to the Adriatic and the steps of mobilization may mean nothing more  
than mutual distrust.

When the crisis over Bosnia and Herze-  
govina arose both Russia and Austria  
came nearer to a war footing than they  
seem to be now, yet the war cloud drifted  
away.

## Reports of Mobilization.

Reports of the Russian mobilization  
published in the Vienna Reichspost, the  
organ of the heir to the throne, specify  
that all the troops in the districts on the  
frontier, Vilna, Warsaw, Kiev and Odes-  
sa, as well as Moscow, are to adopt a  
war footing; the Don Cossacks are to be  
pushed to the border, and the prepara-  
tions in Russian Poland, the dispatch  
of an enormous number of troops with  
troops and munitions toward the  
Austrian line.

Three Berlin papers purport to have in-  
formation of the Austrian preparations,  
which include the mobilization of three  
army corps for the Russian frontier and  
Prague an account of telegraphed of Ger-  
man military activity.

Such warlike preparations, coupled  
with the visit of Archduke Franz Ferdi-  
nand, Crown Prince of Austria-Hungary,  
to the German emperor, and the confer-  
ence with the Austrian chief of staff,  
Field Marshal Von Scholtz, have been  
naturally exciting curiosity.

The additional announcement that Aus-  
tria has mobilized its army adds fuel to the flame.  
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## BLOWN IN CONVENTION

W. D. Haywood Strikes J.  
Mahlon Barnes.

## ROW IN A. F. OF L. SESSION

Dispute Over Rival Labor Bodies  
Said to Have Been Revived.

## SAMUEL GOMPERS RE-ELECTED

Defeats Max Hayes for Presidency.  
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Year.

## ROCHESTER, N. Y., November 23.

A historic encounter between William D.  
Haywood, a leader of the Industrial  
Workers of the World, and J. Mahlon  
Barnes, who was national campaign man-  
ager of the recent socialist campaign,  
took place tonight in the lobby of a con-  
vention hall, while the American Federa-  
tion of Labor was holding its final ses-  
sion. Haywood, who shouted, "Big Bill  
Haywood," shouted, "Delegates will keep their seats  
and the sergeant-at-arms will remove the  
disturbance."

Haywood ran into the street, followed  
by several delegates. He took refuge in  
a restaurant and some one barred the door.  
Policemen prevented further trouble.  
Haywood was taken to police headquar-  
ters, but Barnes declined to make a  
charge against him, and he was not held.

## Revives Old Dispute.

Barnes said Haywood had revived an  
old dispute over the merits of the rival  
bodies to which they belong. He said  
Haywood taunted him with the defeat of  
measures Barnes had championed in the  
convention. Barnes said he invited Hay-  
wood to the floor of the convention with  
the remark that he would "get him."

Samuel Gompers was re-elected presi-  
dent of the federation this afternoon  
over Max Hayes of the International  
Typographical Union. The vote was:  
Gompers, 11,974; Hayes, 5,074. It was  
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than that for the presidency, was over  
the third vice presidency. James O'Con-  
nell, the Irish-American, defeated William  
H. Johnston, president of the International  
Brotherhood of Machinists, by 10,850 to  
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